Kansas Historical Society | Fiscal Year 2009 Annual Report





REAL PEOPLE. REAL STORIES.

# **Annual Report 2009**

It has been an exciting and challenging year. The state of the economy has changed the world in which we live. Like most businesses and families, the state of Kansas has experienced decreased revenues creating challenges that have brought about many changes. However, we need only to look at the history of our state to know that Kansas, as well as the nation, will remain strong. Kansans have possessed ingenuity and a sense of purpose from the beginning. Working together all things are possible. This creates the excitement for new beginnings.

The Kansas Historical Society remains one of the premier historical agencies in the country. We serve to promote the ideals on which this nation and state were founded. By preserving the state's records and providing access to the state's past, we support a government by the people and for the people. By educating our young people about the events and issues of our past, we are helping them become better citizens as well as creating future leaders for the state. By assisting communities in redeveloping their historic environments, we are helping to ensure economic stability to districts in our towns, neighborhoods, and rural communities. By interpreting the past for our citizens and visitors, we help to establish a pride in who we are and what we can accomplish together.

In 2009 the Kansas Historical Society continued to serve an increasing number of people, more than 7 million, which is a record. Our audience grew by almost 9 percent this year proving a need for the vital work we do. This was only possible through the hard work of our staff, board of directors, volunteers, and donors. Together we continued to collect, preserve, and interpret the history of our state.

Throughout this report you will meet some of the agency's most valuable assets—the staff. We are real people, with real stories and we are here to serve you.

Jennie Chinn Executive Director



"I am proud of what the Kansas Historical Society is doing to preserve our heritage and enhance our state."

— Jennie Chinn

## Remarks from people about the Kansas Historical Society in 2009

"I would like to thank you for your respectful portrayal of Native people, for telling the truth and for understanding. If more agencies and individuals behaved in this manner, true healing would be more widespread."

— Maura Michelle Garcia, Tsa-la-gi (Cherokee)

"Thank you so much for the wonderful field trip. ... I was impressed with the overall tour—especially the "before" packet, the student worksheet during the tour, the making of the tipi and your great way of sharing information—you keep the students engaged! As the first graders exclaimed, 'This was the best field trip, ever!'"

— Mrs. Keller, Whitson Elementary, Topeka

"I love your podcast. What a great mix you've got of history and humor. This is the best example I've seen of a museum figuring out how to reach the media-savvy generation."

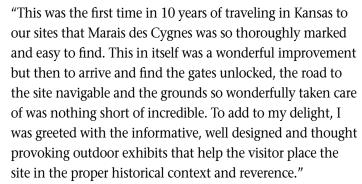
- Leslie Goddard

"I am so pleased! It has been a long process and your group has been more than gracious and helpful throughout! Without your technical, monetary and advisory assistance, the upstairs of the Opera House would continue to deteriorate. Now it is a golden, welcoming space with a grand future to add to its past."

— Alice Hill, Shirley Opera House, Rawlins County

"Thank you so much for capturing the interviews on World War II. . . . the stories from the sons of a generation who didn't talk much about the war were spell-binding."

- Kansas Memory user



- Michelle Martin, Bartlesville, Oklahoma

"Thank you for letting us come to your Kansas History Museum. I loved it. It was very fun. I liked your train. My favorite was the cabin with all the beds. My parents came and they thought it was the best museum they had ever been to. You have many things I never knew about. I appreciate what you have done for my grade. I will remember that the first museum I ever went to was the best. So thank you very much."

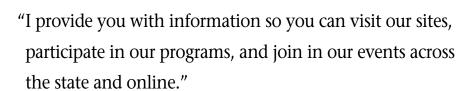
— Madison, 4th grade

"Thank you so much for all of your help. My father was active in the KSHS and my memories are all good. . . . reinforced by the timely and cheerful help I've received today. I've always been glad to be a Kansan, and like most, I think whenever I've lived outside of Kansas I have yearned to return."

— Jim Hodgson

"I love the "Teaching" that incidentally takes place in the field. The knowledge and information in your staff's brains is phenomenal! Thank you for all of your hard work and prep!"

> — 2009 participant in the Kansas Archaeological Training Program at Scott Lake



Teresa Jenkins, Public Information Officer



## **Collections**

The state of Kansas began collecting records and artifacts a mere 14 years after statehood (1861). Our forefathers and foremothers understood the important role Kansas played in the events of our nation and they wanted to make sure that Kansas history was never forgotten. These collections have grown over the years to tell the diverse stories of our state from the earliest times to the present. They also represent the official records of Kansas state government. Caring for and preserving the state's historical collections is a critical part of the agency's mission. Providing access to those collections is also an important part of our work.

#### 2009 Collection Statistics

Collection	Size
Archeological artifacts	4,985
ATLAS bibliographic records	50,480
Kansas Memory items	9,256
Library books and pamphlets	438,497
Manuscript materials	10,751 cubic feet
Maps and architectural drawings	30,591
Microfilm reels	78,867
Museum artifacts	109,521
National Register and state register listings	1,304
Photographs and audio-visual items	494,646
State archival materials	36,081 cubic feet
State records (Records Center)	68,295 cubic feet

"I am the person who answers your questions when you visit us in the Research Room."

— Sara Keckeisen, Librarian



## A Sampling of 2009 Additions to the Collections

- James F. Russell, Norman, Oklahoma, donated books, photographs, magazines, articles, and copies of movies featuring his uncle Reb Russell, as well as a saddle and spurs used by Reb during his movie career. Born Lafayette H. Russell in 1905 in Coffeyville, Russell got his nickname while playing college football. He played briefly with the New York Giants and the Philadelphia Eagles but chose instead to pursue a movie career after he got a bit part in Universal Pictures' *The All-American* (1932).
- Bradley A. Noyes of Topeka donated a desk chair from the early 20th century that was made by the Abernathy Furniture Company of Leavenworth and Kansas City, Missouri. Begun in 1856 in Leavenworth, Abernathy produced quality furniture for almost 100 years before going out of business in the 1950s. Noyes' grandfather used the chair in his office at Osborne.
- Catalogs, order forms, and a wall safe cover relating to Valentine diners were received. A business started by Arthur Valentine in 1938 in Wichita, the prefabricated diner buildings were sold throughout the country and England until 1975. After World War II the easy access to building encouraged individuals to open their own restaurants, allowing them, as Valentine himself desired, "to be their own boss."

- Audrey H. Langworthy of Prairie Village offered a portable pantry, often used in wagons to hold sugar, salt, coffee, and other condiments and spices. In the late 19th century these items were used on the trails and in the cook wagons of cattle drives, as well as large farms and ranches.
- Shawnee County Emergency Management donated a collection of Civil Defense items, reminders of the Cold War era, but also of the other services provided by Emergency Management in instances of disasters. Included in the collection are a Civil Defense flag, a portable resuscitator, and folding cots.
- David Huckett of Shawnee donated a roster of Company M
   of the First Kansas Infantry. This unit of the Kansas
   National Guard was mobilized to the Mexican border in
   Texas while General John J. Pershing pursued Pancho Villa
   in Mexico. The unit did not see action, but the drilling and
   training it received proved useful when it was mobilized
   for World War I a year later.
- Around 1935 Marcella Herschfield Arkenberg of Topeka knitted an outfit for her wedding trousseau. She quit school at the age of 13 and went to work at Woolworth's. She may have acquired the material there. Arkenberg wore the outfit on her honeymoon in the southwest United States. Rosemarie Thompson of Olathe, her daughter-in-law, donated the dress to the museum.

"I am responsible for the museum's military, transportation, and household collection items."

Blair Tarr, Museum Curator

#### A Sampling of 2009 Additions to the Collections (continued)

- The Reverend Charles Boles served as a Methodist missionary at Shawnee Indian Mission in the 1850s. There he became friends with Shawnee tribal leader Charles Bluejacket, who carved a walking stick and presented it to Boles. It bears several figures, including a rattlesnake and turtle, that are motifs from the pillars of an early Shawnee council-house in Kansas. The walking stick was acquired from Boles' great-grandson, Lloyd M. Boles, Jr.
- The Reverend Willard and Elizabeth Strong, Stockton Springs, Maine, donated 19 letters written by Henry A.
   Strong and addressed to Otis B. Strong. Fifteen of the letters were written while Henry Strong was a private in Company K, 12th Regiment Kansas Volunteer Infantry.
   Private Strong enlisted August 16, 1862 and was mustered out with his regiment on June 30, 1865.
- Scott Smith, Grapevine, Texas, donated 28 volumes of reminiscences, diaries, notebooks, and scrapbooks compiled by Reuben Smith, 1832-1905. They span the years 1854-1904 and describe in detail his immigration to the United States from England; settlement in Miami County, Kansas; service in the Civil War; election to the Kansas Legislature; appointment to the board of trustees and steward of the Kansas State Insane Asylum; his family; and personal interests.

- Ramon and Nancy Noches, Austin, Texas, donated papers, photographs, and articles of Lucinda Todd, Nancy Noches' mother, one of the plaintiffs in the landmark Supreme Court case, Brown v. Board of Education.
- Allen Mosley, Prior Lake, Minnesota, donated a tintype of Sergeant John P. Mosley, a member of Company D, 13th Regiment Kansas Volunteer Infantry and later assigned to duty with the 2nd Kansas Colored Infantry. Accompanying the tintype is a letter written by John M. Cain, an officer with the Second Kansas Colored Infantry, to Charles L. Mosley reporting the death of Sergeant John P. Mosley.
- Dr. James and Bev Mershon donated the Mershon collection of Andrew Reeder family archives. The collection contains 13 letters written to Kansas Territorial Governor Andrew Reeder and a speech of John Cadwalader, U. S. representative from Pennsylvania, pertaining to slavery in the territories.
- Funds from the Ralph and Marjorie Crump endowment made possible a purchase of letters written by the son of John Brown. John Brown, Jr., was a captain in the Seventh Kansas Cavalry during the Civil War, 1861 1862. This collection of letters, written to his wife, Wealthy, give an insight into his abolitionist views and the conditions he faced in camp during the war.



"I create *Cool Things* online to highlight our museum collections."

Rebecca Martin,
 Assisstant Museum Division Director



## 2009 Collections Highlights

- The Kansas Historical Society received a state appropriation of \$149,000 for planning related to electronic records preservation in Kansas state government. This amount has been supplemented by an additional \$175,000 from the Information Network of Kansas. This project requires collaboration among a number of partners, and the core project team has representation from the Kansas Department of Administration's Division of Information Systems and Communication, the Kansas Legislature, and the Kansas Historical Society.
- The Kansas Historical Society was awarded \$259,354 by the National Endowment for the Humanities to digitize 100,000 pages of Kansas newspapers, dating from 1860-1922. A major grant for \$161,187 from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission was granted to provide collection or series level descriptions for all of the records in the manuscripts and state archives collections. Project staff is nearing completion of work on the more than 36,000 cubic feet of state archives holdings. When this portion is completed, the database will be available on kshs.org and will provide significantly improved access to all state government records held by the Historical Society. The remainder of the grant project will focus on writing collection level descriptions of uncatalogued manuscript collections.

• The Kansas Historical Society signed a memorandum of understanding with The Generations Network, Inc. (TGN), which operates Ancestry.com. Through this partnership, TGN will digitize several series of records and make them available on their web site. Researchers at the State Archives & Library in Topeka will have free access to all Ancestry.com content. Kansans who provide verification of a driver's license (through a partnership with the Kansas Department of Revenue) will have free online access to the digitized KSHS materials in a special section of Ancestry.com.



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"I am responsible for overseeing the preservation of the state's records of enduring value and making them available to you."

— Matt Veatch, State Archivist

## Interpretation, Education, and Public Programs

An important part of the Historical Society's mission is to interpret items in the collection and provide Kansans and others with an understanding of our shared past. Each year the agency develops learning opportunities for families and adults. At the same time the Kansas Historical Society has become an invaluable resource for schools in Kansas, providing curriculum for the classroom. Programs may be found online and throughout the state. Each year special programs are developed to bring visitors to the Kansas Museum of History, Kansas State Capitol Tour Center, and the 16 state historic sites. Other audiences find us through our publications, podcasts, workshops, and web sites.

# 2009 Interpretation, Education, and Public Programming Highlights

• The agency presented several programs in honor of President Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday. Among them was the special exhibit, *Lincoln in Kansas*, which featured Lincoln-related artifacts from the museum's collection and examined Lincoln's political career with an emphasis on his visit to Kansas in 1859. "Mr. Lincoln Comes to Kansas!" was the theme of Kansas Day in 2009. It attracted more than 2,100 school children. "Penny Day" at the museum offered admission for a Lincoln penny with proceeds helping to fund the preservation of Lincoln artifacts in the museum's collection. A new traveling exhibit (KITES), *Abraham Lincoln and Kansas*, was also developed for the Lincoln bicentennial commemoration.



- In a ceremony at the Kansas Museum of History on Earth Day 2009, Westar Energy "retired" an incandescent light bulb in favor of using energy-saving fluorescent bulbs. The retired bulb had been used at the Tecumseh Energy Center and was donated to the museum following the ceremony.
- Eight articles and educational lessons on famous Kansans were produced for the *Salina Journal* as part of its Newspapers in Education series. Approximately 3,000 students registered to receive this series.
- Migration of the Pueblo People to El Cuartelejo: A Seventh Grade Integrated Reading Unit was printed and distributed in the spring as part of the Historical Society's Project Archaeology series. Classroom sets of the magazines and journals have been provided free of charge to teachers who participated in teacher-training workshops. Accompanying teacher guides are available in online and digital formats.

"I develop standards-based curriculum materials and tours for school children visiting the museum and our state-owned sites."

— Marcia Fox, Curriculum Specialist



#### 2009 Interpretation, Education, and Public Programming Highlights (continued)

- Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site implemented five standards-based tours to meet curriculum requirements in Kansas and Missouri. "Theme Days," a living history program for fourth graders, increased from a one-day to three-day spring event at the site.
- Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site received the Oregon-California Trail Association's (OCTA) Outstanding Museum Educator of the Year award for the site's new standards-based tour, Wagons Ho! Oregon-California Trail.
- The new standards-based tour at Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site, *American Indian Homes in the Central Plains*, was structured to address both Kansas and Nebraska state curriculum standards.
- In partnership with Emporia State University, the William Allen White House State Historic Site hosted a seminar on teaching with primary sources for middle and high school teachers. The site also implemented *Hats Off to William Allen White*, a standards-based tour for fourth grade.
- Despite construction in the rotunda, closing the south wing and cage elevator, and covering John Steuart Curry's mural, *Tragic Prelude*, visitation at the Kansas State Capitol was up by 12 percent.
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- Both the Santa Fe Trail and the Explorers exhibits in the Kansas Museum of History were redesigned and remodeled with new interpretation, graphics, exhibit cases, and interactive elements.
- Exhibits from Native American Heritage Museum State Historic Site were transferred to the north building at Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site. The award-winning exhibits explore the way emigrant Indians were relocated to this region, and ways in which they maintained their traditional cultures while Americans were trying to change them.
- Pawnee Indian Museum added five new interpretive components: a stereograph display, ledger art, DVD with historic Pawnee photographs, musket ball mold from the Pike rifle pits, and a video of the 2008 archeological excavation at the site.
- During Kansas Archaeology Month in April a temporary exhibit on Kansas Indian missions and their archeological investigations was developed. People were invited to learn more about their own collections at an artifact identification workshop.
- Grinter Place State Historic Site reopened after a long period of rehabilitation. Visitors were welcomed to new exhibits that featured artifacts from the Grinter family including a Bible, quilt, and a variety of furniture. A sneak preview was offered to the community.

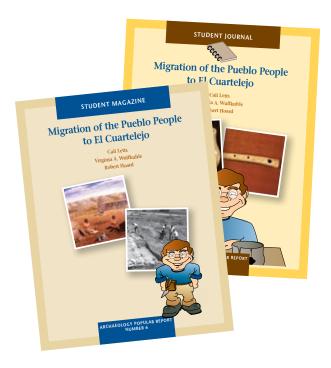
"I am your host and guide when you visit Fort Hays State Historic Site."

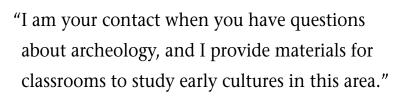
— Bob Wilhelm, Site Administrator

#### 2009 Interpretation, Education, and Public Programming Highlights (continued)

- To celebrate the 144th anniversary of the Mine Creek Civil War battle, a small exhibit of archeological artifacts opened at Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site. The exhibit featured artifacts that were excavated during the 1980s and 1990s on the battlefield.
- Four Kansas-related movies featuring significant weather events were shown as part of the Sundown Film Festival in Topeka with 1,225 people in attendance for the series. This year's festival was inspired by the museum's special exhibit, Forces of Nature.
- Fort Hays State Historic Site offered programs on the ghost of old Fort Hays and separate cemetery tours. While the fort was active from 1867-1889, 175 residents of the fort were laid to rest at the Fort Hays cemetery. Modern visitors heard stories from the past as told by the "ghosts."
- The Bleeding Kansas lecture series at Constitution Hall State Historic Site featured speakers on such topics as Lecompton, Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Reeder, and territorial politics.

- Twenty-two new *Cool Things* essays were written and uploaded to the agency's web site. An additional 26 *Cool Things* podcasts were also developed.
- Kansas Historic Resources Inventory (KHRI) online database launched with the November/December 2008 publication of *Kansas Preservation*. The database currently holds more than 53,800 records of information on historic properties in the state.
- Preserving Kansas, an e-group/listserve for historic preservationists across Kansas, was launched in June.
- The Kansas Archeological Training Program was held in conjunction with the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks at Scott State Park. More than 45 new archeological sites were documented in and near the park. A total of 131 volunteers participated in fieldwork, lab work, and classes.





— Virginia Wulfkuhle, Public Archeologist



#### Preservation

Preservation is another critical part of our agency mission. We can only study the past if we work to preserve parts of our heritage. Whether it is a family heirloom or a historic building, the staff of the Kansas Historical Society works with communities throughout the state to help preserve their history. The agency is also responsible for preservation of the state-owned collections, including records, artifacts, and the state's historic sites. The Kansas Historical Society also provides a variety of incentives—from tax credits to grants—to assist communities in preserving their cultural resources, stimulating the local economy.

## 2009 Preservation Highlights

- Seventeen completed projects took advantage of the federal tax credit program for historic preservation. These projects represent a \$49,047,787.64 investment in Kansas resources. The federal tax credit is equal to 20 percent of qualifying expenses, totaling \$9,809,577. These projects also resulted in \$12,261,946 in state tax credits.
- Sixty-eight state historic preservation tax credit projects were completed representing an \$11,986,988 investment in historic properties in Kansas. The state tax credit is equal to 25 percent of qualifying expenses, totaling \$2,996,747. Combined with the federal tax credit projects a total of \$15,258,693 in state tax credits was approved.
- Heritage Trust Fund grants were used to rehabilitate historic properties in Atchison, Douglas, Elk, Ford, Greenwood, Harper, Harvey, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Linn, Marion, McPherson, Miami, Montgomery, Phillips, Rawlins, Reno, Sedgwick, Trego, and Wabaunsee counties.
- Historic Preservation Funds were granted to Abilene, Burlingame, Lawrence, Wichita, and Norton to survey historic resources in these communities. Funds were also provided to Overland Park and Council Grove to complete National Register historic district nominations.
- The Kansas Historical Society carries out compliance reviews under federal law for the protection of state cultural resources. Archeologists test and study sites before land is disturbed. These contracts with other agencies brought in \$198,554 in FY 2009.
  - "I assist you when your historic buildings qualify for the National Register."

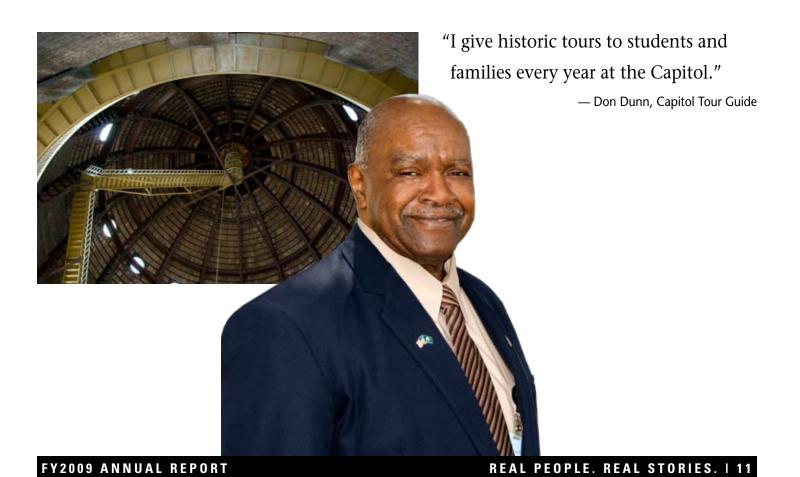
— Sarah Martin, National Register Coordinator

- Two Civil War flags were packed and shipped to Textile Preservation Associates for conservation treatment as part of the museum's Institute of Museum and Library Service's funded Conservation Project Support Grant.
- The interior restoration of officers quarters #2 at Fort Hays was completed. Fort Hays was an important U.S. Army post that was active from 1865-1889. The military often put two single officers in one home. The east portion of the quarters has been restored to its 1868 appearance when Lieutenant Quinton Campbell was assigned to the fort. The west portion of the quarters was restored to the 1880s when Captain George Bomford may have lived there.
- Federal Transportation Enhancement funds were awarded for the restoration of the monument, pavilion, and road at Pawnee Rock State Historic Site.



# 2009 Program and Service Usage

Туре	FY2008	FY2009
Visitors	150,195	163,668
Public Programs	34,394	49,946
Programs for Children	16,109	38,127
Classroom Curriculum	19,410	218,048
Services	107,963	100,885
Publications	6,767	22,602
Online Resources	6,141,306	6,454,193
Grants Awarded	36	30
Total	6,476,180	7,047,499



#### 2009 Visitors

Site	Location	Paid	Complimentary	Total
Constitution Hall State Historic Site	Lecompton	3,834	108	3,942
Cottonwood Ranch State Historic Site	Studley	535	319	854
First Territorial Capitol State Historic Site*	Fort Riley	No fee	780	780
Fort Hays State Historic Site	Hays	3,829	497	4,326
Goodnow House State Historic Site *	Manhattan	No fee	318	318
Grinter Place State Historic Site (closed prior to September 2008)	Kansas City	373	42	415
Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site	Hanover	1,284	359	1,643
John Brown Museum State Historic Site*	Osawatomie	No fee	583	583
Kansas Museum of History	Topeka	43,889	14,930	58,819
Kansas State Capitol Tour Center	Topeka	No fee	66,704	66,704
Kaw Mission State Historic Site	Council Grove	2,054	350	2,404
Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site	Pleasanton	1,263	233	1,496
Native American Heritage Museum State Historic Site (closed October 2008)	Highland	260	0	260
Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site	Republic	2,049	413	2,462
Potawatomi Mission (closed May 2009)	Topeka	No charge	7009	7,009
Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site	Fairway	3,104	304	3,408
State Archives & Library	Topeka	No charge	6,355	6,355
William Allen White House State Historic Site*	Emporia	1,571	319	1,890
Total		64,045	99,623 1	63,668

<sup>\*</sup> Community Partnership Sites

Marais des Cygnes Massacre State Historic Site (Pleasanton) and Pawnee Rock State Historic Site (Pawnee Rock) are self-guided; therefore, numbers are not reported.

"I welcome you and assist you at the admission desk when you visit the Museum."

— Norman Hodge, Visitor Service Representative



# 2009 Public Programs

Site	Location	Onsite	Offsite	<b>Total Served</b>
Archeology	Statewide	0	161	161
Constitution Hall State Historic Site	Lecompton	2,075	3,079	5,154
Cottonwood Ranch State Historic Site	Studley	971	481	1,452
First Territorial Capitol State Historic Site	Fort Riley	80	0	80
Fort Hays State Historic Site	Hays	8,553	759	9,312
Goodnow House State Historic Site	Manhattan	130	200	330
Grinter Place State Historic Site	Kansas City	98	27	125
Historic Preservation Conference	Topeka	0	150	150
Hollenberg Pony Express Station State Historic Site	Hanover	880	3,601	4,481
John Brown Museum State Historic Site	Osawatomie	3,657	4,726	8,383
Kansas Museum of History	Topeka	2,224	0	2,224
Kaw Mission State Historic Site	Council Grove	3,573	74	3,647
Mine Creek Battlefield State Historic Site	Pleasanton	71	551	622
Pawnee Indian Museum State Historic Site	Republic	660	2,880	3,540
Shawnee Indian Mission State Historic Site	Fairway	9,065	950	10,015
State Archives & Library	Topeka	150	0	150
William Allen White House State Historic Site	Emporia	120	0	120
Total		32,307	17,639	49,946



"I help you find your way around the Research Room when you visit us in person."

—Teresa Coble, Reference Archivist

# **Programs for Children**

Program	Location	<b>Total Served</b>
Bald Eagle Rendezvous	Lecompton	525
Discovery Place	Topeka	9,382
Flute Circle	Fairway	69
Fort Hays Field Day	Hays	653
Happy Birthday, William Allen White	Emporia	39
History & Environmental Fair	Topeka	1,137
History Day	Statewide	798
Indian Education Program	Topeka	50
Kansas Day at Fort Hays	Hays	256
Kansas Day at Hollenberg Station	Hanover	277
Kansas Day at John Brown Museum	Osawatomie	600
Kansas Day at Kaw Mission	Council Grove	86
Kansas Day at the Museum	Topeka	2,133
Republic County Field Day	Republic	75
Rural School Days	Topeka	1,527
Theme Tours	Topeka	20,181
Tricks & Treats at the Boo-seum	Topeka	322
Young Troopers	Hays	17
Total		38,127

## **Classroom Curriculum**

Program	<b>Total Served</b>
The Kansas Journey	28,000
Read Kansas!	175,000
Teacher Training	281
Traveling Resource Trunks	14,767
Total	218,048

"I help provide traveling resource trunks to your local schools."

— Lois Herr, Outreach/Visitor Representative Coordinator



#### 2009 Services

Type of Service	<b>Total Served</b>
Historic Preservation state and federal law reviews	2,848
Historic Preservation tax credits (federal) – open cases	104
Historic Preservation tax credits (state) – open cases	230
Interlibrary Loan requests	2,569
KITES (Kansas Interpretive Traveling Exhibits Service)	53,270
Microfilm rolls (duplicates) produced	1,192
Microfilm rolls (originals) produced	180
Media contacts	196
Media releases	108
Museum loans processed	1,175
Photographic digital prints produced	514
Photographic digital scans produced	1,148
Photographic use permits granted	207
Research requests answered	4,524
Retention and disposition schedules approved	94
State records center retrievals	11,089
Third-party rental participation	21,424
Unmarked Burial Sites Preservation Act cases	13
Total	100,885



"I am in charge of our photo imaging processes."

—Darrell Garwood, Preservation Specialist

## 2009 Publications

Title	Circulation
Kansas History: A Journal of the Central Plains	3,100
Kansas Kaleidoscope	3,250
Kansas Preservation	5,746
KSHS eNews	2,628
Reflections	6,650
KSHS Teacher eNews	1,228
Total	22,602

#### 2009 Online Resources

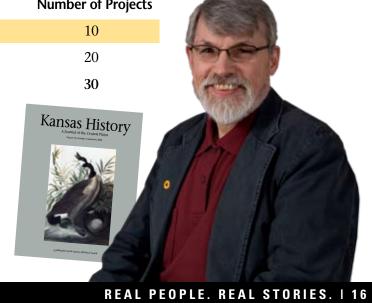
Program	Total Served
Facebook page fans	446
Kansas Historic Resources Inventory Register	42
Kansas Memory user sessions	329,852
kshs.org user sessions	6,018,543
Podcast downloads	104,632
Twitter followers	678
Total	6,454,193

## 2009 Grants Awarded

Type of Service	<b>Dollar Amount</b>	Number of Projects
Historic Preservation Fund	\$106,513	10
Heritage Trust Fund	\$1,175,752	20
Total	\$1,282,265	30

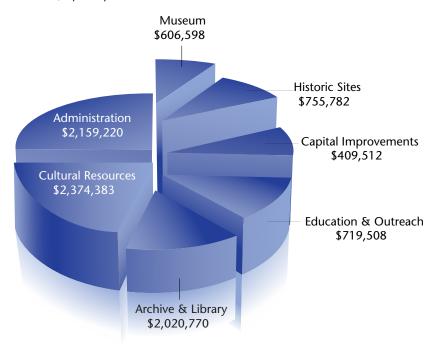
"I am editor of *Kansas History*, our quarterly academic journal."

— Virgil Dean, Historian

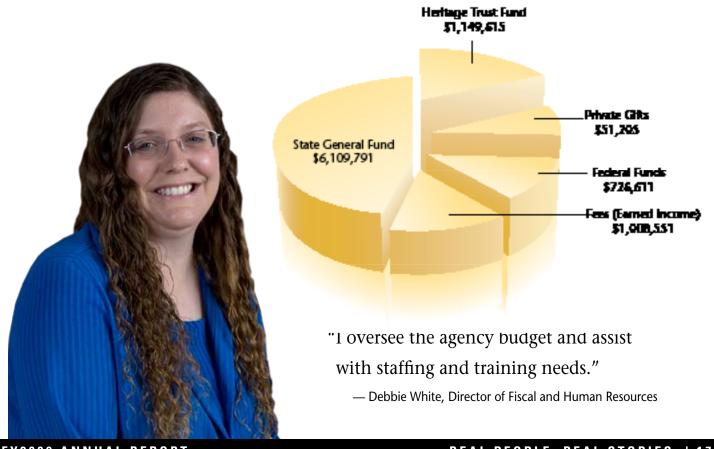


## Fiscal Year 2009 Resources

#### Expenditures - \$9,045,773



Revenues – \$9,045,773



## Volunteer

The Historical Society is grateful for its many dedicated volunteers who each year contribute thousands of hours to its success. Their contributions are varied: providing information and giving tours at the Kansas Museum of History, cleaning artifacts in the archeology lab, transcribing documents for the State Archives & Library, welcoming visitors to the state historic sites, and helping students climb to the top of the Kansas State Capitol dome.

## **FY 2009 Volunteer Contributions**

Service Area	Number of Volunteers	<b>Hours Contributed</b>
Archeology	22	2,568
Discovery Place	7	674
Docents – Kansas Museum of History	16	479
Information – Kansas Museum of History	10	727
Kansas State Capitol Tour Center	4	688
Museum Store	3	579
Potawatomi Mission	12	1,641
Special Projects	124	821
State Archives & Library	26	2,781
State Historic Sites	242	4,965
Summer Youth	5	104
Total	471	16,027



"I prioritize and oversee the work of the lab in processing collection items."

— Chris Garst, Archeology Laboratory Supervisor

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